

May 29, 2022 The Ascension of the Lord

MISSION STATEMENT

We, at All Souls Church, are a multicultural Catholic Community called to share our gifts and to grow through worship and spiritual formation. We are brothers and sisters in Christ led by the Holy Spirit to witness the Good News to all.

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All Souls Catholic Church



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PARISH SCHEDULE

Weekdays/Entre Semana Monday-Saturday 7:30am

> Saturday/Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday/Domingo English: 7:30am, 9:00am, 5:30pm Español: 10:30am

Holy Days to be Announced

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4-5pm & by appointment

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK Please call the Pastoral Center for a priest. Uncion de los Enfermos: favor de llamar al Centro Pastoral para contactar a un sacerdote.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Español: El primer sabado del mes a las 10am English: Third Saturday of the month at 10am

SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY Book for an appointment at least 6 months in advance Llame al Centro Parroquial por lo menos 6 meses antes

DEVOTIONS Holy Hour: 1st Friday of the month at 7pm (Bilingual)

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Readings & Prayers for the Sick

First Reading:

"Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." (Acts 7:56)
Psalm: The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth. (Ps 97) Or Alleluia.
Second Reading: The one who gives this testimony says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen! Come, Lord Jesus! (Rev 22:20)
Gospel: That they may be brought to perfection as one, that the world may know that you sent me, and that you loved them even as you loved me. (Jn 17:23)

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 Sunday:
 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17

 Monday:
 Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

 Tuesday:
 Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/ls 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56

 Wednesday:
 Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

 Thursday:
 Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

 Friday:
 Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

 Saturday:
 Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

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FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

7th Sunday of Easter, Year "C" The Ascension of the Lord: Jesus Ascends into Heaven

According to a Greek mythology, Hercules, son of God Zeus and Princess Alcmene, who was also the wife of the King of Thebes, Amphitryon, was one of the most famous ancient Greek Demi-Gods. He was worshipped in many temples throughout Greece and Italy in ancient times and is well known for his 12 Labors assigned to him by Eurystheus, King of the Mycenaean stronghold of Tiryns – as ordered by Zeus' wife, Goddess Hera, who wanted Hercules dead.

In one of Hercules' adventures, Hercules killed the centaur Nessus for trying to assault his wife Deianira. But just before he died, Nessus set up his revenge by telling Deianira that his blood could be used as a love potion, when in reality it was poisonous and deadly.

Deianira, believing the blood would deepen her love with Hercules, made him clothing from the blood of Nessus. When Hercules put on the clothing, his flesh began to burn as a result of the poisonous blood of Nessus. Knowing that his death was approaching, he asked to be taken to the highest peak of the mount Oiti to be burnt in a fire to escape his torture.

The event was said to have taken place on a hill over mount Oiti, just above the ancient city of Delphi.

Hercules was thrown into the fire and, as this happened, a large dark cloud producing noisy thunder descended over them. After a while the cloud ascended again and to their surprise Hercules' friends realized that Hercules had disappeared.

From then on it was told that Hercules ascended to Mount Olympus to be among the gods. According to mythology, Hercules got married to Ivi, daughter of Zeus, and remained on mount Olympus forever as an immortal (John Black: "Ancient Origins – Reconstructing the story of humanity's past").

Most world religions have history of gods that often died and returned to life, and gods that ascended into heaven sometimes in their old or new forms. In Egypt, Osiris died, resurrected and ascended into heaven. Krishna was accidentally killed by a hunter but comes back to life and ascended into heaven. According to the Mesoamerican people, Quetzalcoatl killed himself, but after a few days in the underworld, returned to heaven.

In the Judeo-Christian religion, Enoch ascended into heaven after his life on earth (Gen 5:24 & Heb 11:5). Elijah, the greatest prophet in Israel, ascended into heaven in the presence of his servant Elisha (2 Kgs 2:11-12) and according to the dogma of the Catholic Church, Mary, the Blessed Virgin mother of Jesus was assumed body and soul into heaven after her life on earth.

Since the adoption of the Nicene Creed in 325 AD, the ascension of Jesus into heaven has been officially inscribed as an article of faith to be believed and professed by all Catholics. The feast is celebrated on Ascension Thursday which is 40 days after Easter, and it is observed as a Holy Day of obligation for all the faithful.

It is in order to enable the faithful to participate actively in the celebration of the solemnity of the ascension that our Archdiocese allows it to be celebrated on the Sunday following the Thursday of Ascension. Hence, we are celebrating today, the day Jesus in His nature as God ascended to where He descended from – His Father in heaven. This is the last day we were able to see and touch Jesus in His physical human nature.

This solemnity is therefore, unique in the life of the church and in the history of human salvation. It marks the day that the Divinity that assumed Humanity on Christmas Day, shredded Himself every element of human nature to return to where He descended from – His Father in heaven. Of interest is to note that while Jesus was physically present on earth, He was not absent from the presence of God the Father and as Jesus ascends to heaven, He is still present in the world.

However, the Ascension marks the last day human beings were able to see and touch Jesus in His physical and material nature. It marks the day of Jesus transition from the physical/material and visible nature to the spiritual and invisible nature. Physically, Jesus presence in the world will be limited to a particular location within space and time while spiritually Jesus is now divinely present everywhere both visible and invisible to human eyes.

It is sad to note that right up to the day of His ascension, the disciples of Jesus were yet to grasp fully the mission of Jesus on earth. Even after Jesus resurrection from death, His disciples were still expecting a material kingdom like that of King David when Israel was the superpower of the world. Hence, they asked "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" Thanks to the angels (2 men in white) who reminded the disciples of Jesus that it is now time for them to begin to contribute their quota in the building of the kingdom of God.

Before ascending into heaven, Jesus said that He will not leave us orphans and that He will send the Holy Spirit to be with us and to guide us to the truth. Jesus is aware that there many roads in the world but not every road will lead us to freedom, justice and salvation. The truth that Jesus is talking about is the realization that what counts in life is what God thinks of us.

We spend so much time and energy worrying about what people think of us and what we think of ourselves but in essence, the truth that liberates us from the bondage of sin and ignorance is the awareness of what God thinks of us. The realization of this truth is only made possible, thanks to the Holy Spirit of God.

Whenever we gather to celebrate the solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, we gather to remind ourselves the Day Jesus handed the baton (as in a relay race) to us to continue the work of salvation in the world and to renew our commitment to the ministry of human redemption. Jesus did not make light of what it takes to carry on this project (the cross – blessings, sufferings, challenges, etc). Hence, Jesus did not give us missiles and weapons of mass destruction to do the work. All that Jesus asks from us today is for us to open our hearts so that the Holy Spirit of God may lead and guide us.

Finance Report

Thank you for your continuous support and generosity

COLLECTION	TOTAL
May 22, 2022	\$4,334.50

Did you Know?

Bike riding is great fun and a good form of exercise for children — it is also great way to get around. A properly fitted helmet can reduce the risk of a head injury by almost 50%, but many children go without them. Teach your children the importance of helmet safety and enforce rules about wearing them. You can also teach your children to use hand signals to show cars and other riders where they are going, and to follow the rules of the road. For more safety tips, visit safekids.org/bike.

Called to Renew

"Called to Renew is a bold plan to strengthen every parish and Catholic center in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, vital ministries that serve thousands each year, education and formation for our children, and the support of priests and those discerning the call."

All Souls' goal is \$425,000. We have paid **\$299,684.84** so far, which means we have not reached our goal yet. We thank you for all your support and encourage you to continue your contributions in support of this pledge.

*Source: calledtorenew.org



Pray for our Priests

The Office of Vocations of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles invites you to view a special livestream for our future priests! On Friday, June 3 at 7pm join us as we

pray for our soon to be #LAPriests. This Holy Hour will take place at St. Agnes Parish.

You can view this livestream by visiting our Facebook page or the Ordination page.

SATURDAY	ΜΑΥ	28-2022
5:30pm	Fernando Tenedora	Dec.
SUNDAY	MAY	29-2022
7:30am	Victims of the Texas Shooting	
9:00am	Pa Pierre & Ma Marie Fobi	Dec.
	Ma Odilia Ngebi Fobi	Dec.
	Pa Aloysius Nchinda	Dec.
10:30am	Pedro Garcia	Dec.
	Francisco Gordillo	Dec.
	Cani Santizo	Dec.
	Vanesa Anaya	Dec.
5:30pm	Unborn Babies	
MONDAY	MAY	30-2022
7:30am	Salvador Castellano	Dec.
	Max & Christian	Dec.
TUESDAY	MAY	31-2022
7:30am	James Tam	Healing
WEDNESDAY	JUNE	01-2022
7:30am	Francisco & Magda Cornejo	Dec.
	Ariana Serna	Birthday
	Peter Lee	Dec.
THURSDAY	JUNE	02-2022
7:30am	Santiago Dee	Dec.
FRIDAY	JUNE	03-2022
7:30am	Victims of the Texas Shooting	
SATURDAY	JUNE	04-2022
7:30am	Romeo Lojo	Dec.
	Randy Sedlacek	Dec.

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¿Sabla usted?

Todos tenemos nuestras ideas de quién es Dios. Sin embargo, debemos recordar que nuestras ideas de Dios a menudo no captan quién es Dios en realidad. Dios es un misterio maravilloso cuya identidad es inagotable. Esto hace de la vida un viaje emocionante en busca de fe, amor, gloria y unidad. Mostrando toda la ternura de una historia de amor real, escuchamos de Jesús que Dios no guiere nada más, sino que el mundo crea. La misma profundidad de afecto que se le dio a Jesús, Dios Padre desea compartir con nosotros. Recibir este amor le da al creyente una mayor comprensión de lo que nos da propósito y significado. Con el amor incondicional de Dios como nuestra ancla, podemos soportar las mayores dificultades sabiendo que llevamos la esperanza de gloria dentro de nosotros. Compartiendo el mismo increíble destino eterno y la misma gloria que Dios le dio a Su Hijo, todos podemos ser uno, así como Jesús y el Padre son uno. ¿Por qué es importante comprender todo esto? Porque dada la miríada de opciones de lo que posiblemente puede definirnos, ahora tenemos la verdad primordial de guiénes somos que nos ha dado Dios. Sabemos, sin lugar a duda, dónde buscar la verdadera felicidad y dónde terminará nuestra vida. ©LPi

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

 Domingo: Ascensión: Hch 1, 1-11/ Sal 46, 2-3. 6-7. 8-9 [6]/Ef 1, 17-23

 Lunes:
 Hch 19, 1-8/Sal 67, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7/Jn 16, 29-33

 Martes:
 Sof 3, 14-18 o Rom 12, 9-16/ls 12, 2-3. 4. 5-6/Lc 1, 39-56

 Miércoles:Hch 20, 28-38/Sal 67, 29-30. 33-35. 35-36/Jn 17, 11-19

 Jueves:
 Hch 22, 30; 23, 6-11/Sal 15, 1-2 y 5. 7-8. 9-10. 11/Jn 17, 20-26

 Viernes:
 Hch 25, 13-21/Sal 102, 1-2. 11-12. 19-20/Jn 21, 15-19

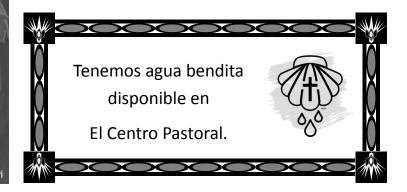
 Sábado:
 Mañana: Hch 28, 16-20. 30-31/Sal 10, 4. 5 y 7/Jn 21, 20-25

DICHOSA TÚ POR HABER CREÍDO QUE HAN DE CUMPLIRSE LAS COSAS QUE EL SEÑOR TE HA DICHO LUKE 1:45 Andar en bicicleta es muy divertido y una buena forma de ejercicio para los niños; también es una excelente manera de moverse. Un casco bien ajustado puede reducir el riesgo de una lesión en la cabeza en casi un 50 por ciento, pero muchos niños no lo usan. Enseñe a sus hijos la importancia de la seguridad del casco y haga cumplir las normas sobre su uso. También puede enseñar a sus hijos a usar señales con las manos para mostrarles a los autos y a otros pasajeros por dónde van, y a seguir las reglas de tránsito. Para obtener más consejos de seguridad, visite safekids.org/bike.

AMIGOS DE JESUS



El grupo de oración, Amigos de Jesús, les invita a unirse a una noche de reflexión, alabanza y oración en comunidad. Las reuniones son a las 7pm cada miércoles. Si gusta unirse, favor de llamar al Centro Pastoral para mas detalles.



PARISH NEWS



REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED

Please note that our Pastoral Center will close on Monday, May 30th, in observance of Memorial Day.



Our Filipino Ministry is continuing the powerful intercessory devotion of the 2000 Hail Mary's. Everyone is invited to join and ask for Mother Mary's graces as special intentions are presented to her Son, Jesus Christ.

We will meet at the Parish Hall on Saturday,

June 4, 2022 at 8:00 am.

Holy Hour



Join us for an hour of meditation in the presence of Jesus. Everyone is invited. The service is bilingual and will be held inside the church this Friday, June 3, 2022 at 7PM.





Rosaria Gonzalez

October 7, 1940- May 6, 2022

Service to be held

Saturday, June 11, 2022 1:00pm St. John Vianney Church 1345 Turnbull Canyon Rd. Hacienda Heights, CA 91745 Interment following the Mass at Rose Hills Cementary Cedarcrest Lawn - Gate 9

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEND FLOWERS TO THE FUNERAL SERVICE, FOLLOWING ARE THE ORDERING DETAILS: Rosemill Florist https://rosemill.net/ 4210 Workman Mill Rd. Whittier, CA 90601 (562)-699-1587

PLEASE PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION: Name: Rosario Gonzalez Deliver to St. John Vianney Catholic Church on June 11, 2022 -- Service 1:00pm

